GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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STRENGTHENING THE TRANSMISSION LINES IN KERALA
GULAM MEHMOOD BANATWALLA

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government/Power Grid Corporation ofIndia Ltd. propose to strengthen the transmission lines to bring power to Kerala to stabilise the power supply in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the proposal for construction of 400 KV lines each from Madhurai to Thiruvananthapuram and from Bangalore to Kozhikode (Kerala) have been taken up; and

(d) if so, the present status thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (d) : Presently, Kerala`s share of power from Central Sector generating stations in Southern Region is about 480 MW which is being transmitted through existing Udumalpet - North Trichur 400 kV D/C line and 220 kV inter-state links. Besides, the entire 300-350 MW power generated from Kayamkulam GBCCP is being utilised in Kerala for which POWERGRID has constructed separate 220 kV transmission system. The existing transmission lines are considered sufficient to transfer the present share of Central sector power to Kerala.

However, in order to meet the future requirement of power in Kerala, POWERGRID is considering to establish Madurai-Thiruvanathapuram 400 kV D/C line along with a new 400/220 kV sub-station at Thiruvanathapuram. The survey work for this transmission line has been completed. The Bangalore-Kozhikode 400 kV line has been identified by POWERGRID for construction along with Associated Transmission Systems of future projects.